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THE DREDGING SCHEME.

The debate on the Governor's communication in reference to the improvement of Victoria harbor, came on in the House yesterday. So far as the discussion itself was concerned, it was one of the few interesting debates of the Session. Mr. DeCosmos' statement was clear and minute even to a fault. Major Foster was more than usually logical, and brought out some points well worthy of attention. Mr. Franklin entered into a slight explanation of the fact that although the vote was only thirteen odd thousand, £18,000 had been set apart in the Loan Act for harbor improvement. Dr. Helmcken, as usual, came in at the last, and in this instance made the most sensible and consequently the most practical remarks of the four speakers. Mr. DeCosmos' financial statement had the misfortune of being based on purely hypothetical grounds. If the necessary improvements of Victoria harbor could be accomplished in three years, his scheme of providing the ways and means would be unobjectionable. His estimate of the current expenses, allowing a proper margin for contingencies, comes up to about the figure we computed in our last—a little over £7000 a year. But beyond the expense of Mr. Pemberton—whose recent events prove to be rather unreliable—there is no foundation whatever for any statement that reduces the term required below that computed by the Commissioners. Mr. DeCosmos says that Mr. Pemberton has had an understanding enlightened a little about the powers of dredging by his recent visit to England, and as a consequence thinks that the estimate of his colleagues on the Harbor Commission is totally erroneous. We have no objection whatever to Mr. Pemberton going to England to learn the capacity of a steam dredge, provided the public money is not to be invested in this questionable tution, but we think modesty should have kept this gentleman in the first instance out of a commission whose duties he now acknowledges were totally beyond his comprehension. The basis, therefore, which Mr. DeCosmos takes for his calculations is by no means proved to be a sound one. The Commission guard against the expectations that any permanent results can be looked for under a series of years and state the improbability of the dredging work being completed, "under favorable circumstances, within a period of six or seven years." To what supererogatory authority in Victoria can Mr. DeCosmos look than this Board of Commissioners? Surely Mr. Pemberton's statements on this question, supposing he was perfectly reliable on others, are at the best *ex parte* and interest ones. It is his policy now to put the best face on matters and pretend that the expense of improving our harbor is a very trivial affair indeed.

Taking, therefore, the most favorable light in which the Harbor Commissioners can view the work, and accepting Mr. DeCosmos' estimate of the working expense, we have in round numbers an expenditure of £50,000 during the ensuing seven years. As this sum is intended to be provided for by loan, we have along with the £20,000 already almost implicated in the purchase of the machinery, &c., the interest of £70,000 to pay, which at 6 per cent, would give us the comfortable addition to our taxes of £4,200 a year. Now is there a disinterested or even man in the community who would say that Victoria or the colony generally can afford to pay this amount for what must be at the best a very imperfect improvement. Major Foster was right in pointing to the absence of encouraging data to enter extensively in the dredging work at all. He might, indeed, have gone further and shown that some of the best engineering talent had pronounced against the expenditure of either much time or money on any such undertaking. He might have quoted Captain Richards' report, and pointed out the difficulties that beset the project, and have further shown that the bar which seems so terrible a bugbear to Mr. Pemberton and his "unusual" friends generally, and against which they are eager and impatient to set their "Confederate" dredging ram, is actually the safe guard of the harbor. It is well known to the few scientific men, as well as the skillful sea captains among us, that but for this protective barrier our harbor would be filled with sand every time the south or sou-westly winds rippled the surface of the Foca Straits. Here, then, is one great natural shield to our little harbor which inconsiderate rashness would spend the public money in attempting to remove. We do not for a moment anticipate that, as Major Foster hinted, any hidden quicksands, so soon as the crust of the bottom were taken off, would rush impetuously to embrace the rather questionably pure waters of our harbor, and continue like an evil spirit in eternal restlessness; because the physical surroundings are against the hypothesis; but we do believe that there are both dangers and difficulties in the undertaking which have never for a moment entered into the added heads of the ambitious projectors.

Mr. Franklin attempted to check the discussion of the merits of the scheme, on the ground, forsooth, that a former and certainly, as events have proved, half-witted House had consented to vote money for an object of the ultimate expense of which they had about as correct an idea as the man in the moon. A florish was made about the free port, which is about the most accommodating topic we know of; for so soon as a certain class of men amongst us get a little exhausted about the brain, on no matter what topic, we may look out immediately for a Quixotic attack on some imaginary enemy to free trade. Then we had the necessity of keeping faith with our contractors, and with the purchasers of real estate. We can assure Mr. Franklin that neither the House nor the public desire the abrogation of any contracts. That we shall have to pay for our dredger and its accompaniments, we are quite ready to acknowledge; but it is one thing buying an elephant and another thing keeping him. Dr. Helmcken's idea is the sound one. Let the House provide, or at

least authorise the Governor to draw on the unexpended loan, for the amount for which the Colony is liable, and let that be the limit of the legislative action. The subject is too insufficiently understood by both the Assembly and the public to have the country implicated any further in a probably ruinous experiment. The next House will likely meet towards the middle of autumn—a period quite time enough to discuss the more extensive part of the financial question, and sufficiently soon for the thorough completion of the works in hand.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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—WILL SELL—

THIS DAY,

On Saturday, May 21,

At 11 o'clock, A.M.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under Writ "Fi Fa," issued out of the Supreme Court of Civil Justice," Suit of Wm. Culverwell, vs. J. T. Little.

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In House occupied by him, consisting in part of:

One Superior Piano Forte, Sofa, Lounges, Chairs, Tables, Beds, Bedsteads, Carpets, Crockery, Tin Ware, Kitchen Furniture, &c.

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May 20, 1864.

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DANIEL SCOTT & CO

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AT THE CITY AUCTION ROOMS,

FORT STREET, NEAR WHARF

ON TOMORROW (Saturday), the 21st Instant, at 11 a.m.

AT COMMENCEMENT OF SALE:

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—ALSO—

By Instructions of J. D. PEMBERTON, Esq., several lots of Tools, Spades, Shovels, Fets, &c., &c.

ALSO—About 300 yards Second Hand Coal-Cut Matting;

Afterwards in Store—4 lbs Costa Rica Coal.

7 qr chests Japanese Tea, Cases Battled Ale,

1 qr cask Bernards Brandy,

1 " Cognac, " do,

2 " Pale Sherry,

15 cases Bell Gin,

10 " Champagne Cider,

7 crates used White Granite Ware, &c., &c.

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Union Wharf.

300 Cords of DRY OAK WOOD, 10 long,

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OLD TOM—Swans, Board, & Co., Worthington's, Uist, Islay,

WHISKEY—Royal Highland, Islay, Campbell, Stewart's, Harvey's, McLean's Irish.

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C O M M E R C I A L .

Auction Sales to-day.
DANIELS & CO., will sell at 11 o'clock, at the City Auction Rooms, Fort Street, near Wharf, one Superior Horse and Dray; also, by instruments of J. D. Pemberton, Esq., several lots of Tools, Spades, Shovels, Tents, &c.; also Several hand Cocoa Nut Matting; afterwards in Store—Coffee, Tea, Bottled Ale, Brandy, Bell Gin, Cider, &c.

J. A. McCREA will sell at 11 o'clock, a.m., on the premises, Haa Street, near Christ Church, Household Furniture, consisting of one Superior Piano Forte, Sofa, Lounges, Chairs, Tables, Beds, Beads, Carpets, Crockery, Tin Ware, Kitchen Furniture, &c.

From BURRARD INLET.—The schooner F. P. Green arrived from Burrard Inlet with a cargo of lumber to Duncan & George.

From NANAIMO.—The steamer Fidelier arrived at Esquimalt yesterday morning with a cargo of coal for the Russian corvette now in that harbor.

For COMOX.—The steamer Emily Harris sailed last evening for Comox and intermediate ports, carrying a small load.

VICTORIA STOCK AND SHARE EXCHANGE.

FRIDAY, May 20, 1864.

SHARES SOLD.

Gold Stream Quartz Crushing Co., 2 shares at \$50; Queen Charlotte Copper Co., 4 shares at \$50, \$30; Fort Hope Silver Co., 1 share \$24 & 30.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

ENTERED.
May 20.—See Annie, E. Vin, Saanich Schr Industry, Esq., 1 share \$100.

CHARTERS.

May 20.—S.S. Sampson, Love, San Juan Schr General Inquiry, Oberg, New Westminster

EXPLORATION PROCEEDINGS.

An adjourned meeting of the Exploration Committee was held last evening, Selim Franklin, Esq., M. L. A., in the chair.

Dr. Brown was by request in attendance, and stated that the duties of superintending the exploring party would not clash with those required of him by the society by whom he had been sent out. He was accordingly by a unanimous vote appointed commander of the expedition.

On motion of Mr. Young, a committee of five consisting of Lieut. Young, Dr. Evans, Mr. Fish, Mr. Trounce, and Mr. Young, with the chairman, was appointed to examine the credentials of the various applicants for subordinate positions to the general committee.

The finance committee were urged to lose no time in soliciting subscriptions, as the party would now be organized forthwith. They will be only one expedition despatched.

DESERTERS.—The five men belonging to H. M. S. Tribune, whose attempted flight across the Sound was described in yesterday's Colonist, were yesterday taken before the Police magistrate charged with desertion. The men denied the charge, alleging that they were only taking a pleasure cruise, and were returning when they were met by the Police boat, and were arrested as deserters. Officer Bound stated that he detected with a spy-glass a boat with several men in making as fast as it could for the Sound. The Police boat pursued, and finding that they were being overtaken, the sailors put back for shore and were apprehended.

Mr. Bound did not express any opinion as to the guilt of the prisoners, but merely directed them to be handed over to the proper authorities.

BREACH OF PROMISE.—Occasionally there are instances occurring in our midst that act as bad-marks in our progress towards civilization. The late-arrived indication of our advancement is an action of breach of promise of marriage. It is rarely that so young a community as our own can indulge in luxuries known only to the wealthy, and we therefore welcome this new species of litigation as an acceptable innovation on the monotony of mother-of-the-bride courtships. As yet we abstain from mentioning either the lady's or the gentleman's name, simply informing our readers that both the plaintiff (who of course is the lady) and the defendant are known members of our community. We understand Mr. Ring is retained for the lady.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.—We are pleased to notice that the local committee appointed to supervise the transmission of articles for exhibition at the approaching Exhibition at San Francisco, are taking an active interest in the object, and Vancouver Island will not occupy an unimportant position in the Pacific fair. Yesterday, the visitors of the celebrated racing, horse, and cattle, and other exhibitions, fully described by us, un-housed their handsome little craft and convened here to Trickey's building yard, where she will be securely packed, and then conveyed to Esquimalt to be placed on board the mail steamer.

EXTREMELY PROBABLE.—A San Francisco paper gives place to the following—
A party of rebel guerrillas seized two of our soldiers in Alabama on the 13th of March, took them to the top of a mountain near by, and tied them to a tree, where they were kept until sundown, when they were shot, robbed of everything valuable, and thrown from the summit of the mountain down a precipice 60 feet. One man named Morris miraculously escaped death, which he figured might be suffered by the murderers, and succeeded in reaching camp.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FRIDAY, May 20.
Present:—The Hon. Chief Justice, Attorney General, Treasurer, Surveyor General, and the Hon. D. D. Fraser.

THE GOVERNOR'S INSTRUCTIONS.

A message was received from the Governor enclosing copy of his instructions as Governor of the Colony.

SUPPLEMENTAL SUPPLY BILL.

UNCLASSED WELLS BILL.

These bills were both received from the Lower H. U. and, on motion of Hon. A. Watson standing, orders were suspended, and they passed the second reading.

BANKING BILL.

This bill having been engrossed was brought up, and on motion of Hon. Watson, read a third time and passed.

RECEIVERSHIP OF THE BILL.

The remittent of this bill came up. Hon. D. Fraser moved, seconded by Hon. A. Watson, that the consideration of the bill be postponed until another meeting.

TELEGRAPH REGULATION BILL.

The President read his respecting this bill, which the remitter of the bill had referred to the law of the land, and that it may injure was sustained by the company it was quite competent for them to seek protection under existing laws, without cramping up the statute book with unnecessary laws. He therefore viewed this bill as superfluous.

The Attorney General was of opinion that the bill was necessary.

Council adjourned to Monday, at 2:30 p.m.

STEALING A MATTRA'S.—Jin, a Hydah Indian, was charged yesterday in the Police Court with stealing a mattra, the property of John Leach. Prisoner declared that the mattra had been lying about, without any apparent owner. The prosecutor not appearing, prisoner was discharged.

The sale of stands for booths at the races has been postponed until this evening.

THE CHARGE AGAINST QUARLES.

POLICE COURT.

(BEFORE T. L. WOOD, ESQ.)

FRIDAY, May 20.

The examination of witnesses for the prosecution on the charge preferred by Mr. Cruckshank against Quarles, of obtaining money under false pretences, was continued yesterday in the Police Court, and a trial of considerable attention. The court room was again crowded.

The Attorney General conducted the prosecution and Mr. Ring instructed by Mr. Copland, defended the prisoner.

THE WORK SWORN.—I am a chief trader of the Hudson's Bay Company. On the 1st of April, 1863, I sold Quarles 18 pairs 14-pence and 22 pairs blank 14-pence, considerably damaged ox Jasper from England, at \$3 per pair for some time past. Witless examined a number of damaged blankets produced in court, which corresponded with those sold. Quarles purchased 32 pairs of rags at Hessian worth \$45 which were sold to him.

Mr. King—Does not bear the appearance of having come a s a voyage. I never saw such carelessness sewing come from Eng-

land.

Colonel Thorne sworn—I am in the service of the H. B. Co. On the 1st Jan. sold Quarles 114 blankets blue green and grey. They were removed on the 4th April to get them out, he wished to have them sent up to the coast. He knew they were packed. The blankets were completely ruined.

Colonel—What is your opinion of the damage?

Mr. DeCosmos—No! not!

Dr. Helmcken said it would be remembered by this House that he had opposed the harbour improvement measure when it was first brought up, and he might say that he opposed it now, and did not believe that it would ever be completed. He was not the only question. The question was, shall we supply money to carry the work now? It was said that the money voted had been exceeded by the £14,000, and had not been expended, and the balance of that sum was not sufficient to complete the dredger, and all the other machinery. As to the future expenses of carrying on the works, that was a question for other sessions to take up.

Mr. DeCosmos—No! not!

Dr. Helmcken maintained that it was.

As to suspending the works, that could not be done, the contract had been fulfilled, and the work must be completed. He would not go into the question of the harbour improvements, but as so much had been said lately about contracts, why not let the harbour improvements out by contract?

(Hear, hear.)

Mr. DeCosmos said we were called on to decide with the committee in regard to the dredging of Victoria harbour.

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